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Dear Highland Park Husky Families (Grade 4 and 5 only),

We are pleased to announce that we will once again be running our ski program for winter recreation. This year we are including grade 4 and 5 students. We have received an amazing deal from Silver Star Mountain, which includes lift ticket, rentals and a two-hour lesson. It's important that we have high student participation in this winter recreation opportunity as all members of our grade 4 and 5 teaching staff will be accompanying students at the hill. If you are experiencing hardship, and require financial support, we encourage you to contact Mrs. Cull at the school.

Ski time! Our destination will once again be Silver Star Mountain. Please note that **registration must be completed by Monday, December 16**<sup>th</sup>. Please complete the attached consent form and send it back to the school by December 16<sup>th</sup>. Keep this information for your future reference. If you are unable to pay on-line, you can pay with cash or cheque at the school office. Once paid by cash or cheque at the school, Mrs. Cull will provide a code from Silver Star to enter online in place of credit card.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to review the 2024 – 2025 Parent Guide. Please review in advance of registering as it includes important information pertaining to registration, cancellation and refunds, rates, clothing and accessories required, descriptors of ability levels and the Alpine Responsibility Code.

Before registering you need to know the following:

- Credit Card If you do not have a credit card or require financial support, please contact Shelly Cull (250-546-8723) for further information in order to complete the registration process.
- Skiing or Snowboarding you must stick with the one activity for all three sessions. If you feel
  your child has a low tolerance for frustration, you may wish to consider skiing rather than
  snowboarding
- Ability level please read the descriptors provided in the <u>Parent Guide</u> and be sure the ability level selected is true to your child. If unsure, choose on a lower level to avoid frustration. It's much easier to move up a level than down a level.
- Height, Weight, and Shoe size

 When registering, you will be purchasing the 2 hour mandatory lesson for \$29, a lift ticket (only if you are not already a pass holder for \$15), and rentals (only if you do not have your own equipment for \$15) **FOR EACH OF THE THREE DAYS,** specified below.

**Ski Dates**: (please ensure these dates are in your personal calendar)

	Bus leaves HPE	Bus leaves Silver Star
Monday, January 13	8:15 am	2:45 pm
Friday, January 17	8:05 am	2:45 pm
Monday, January 20	8:15 am	2:45 pm

\*All personal equipment for skiing and snowboarding must be brought to school by 7:30 am. We will be looking for an approved volunteer to transport personal equipment – Please contact Mrs. Cull.

\*Parents will need to make arrangements to pick up their children at HPE between 3:30 and 3:45 pm.

**CLICK HERE** to register.

CLICK HERE to access a step by step video to guide you through the registration process.

## Please Note:

- This is a 3 day package deal. Rates will not be prorated. Please select the same activity (skiing or snowboarding) for all three sessions.
- All students are required to return to school on the bus UNLESS their guardian is at the mountain to assume responsibility. Please make prior arrangements with Mrs. Cull.
- If you plan on driving your child to Silver Star or home from Silver Star, please make prior arrangement with Mrs. Cull.
- All children are expected to travel on the bus except if their guardian is driving. Parents are not allowed to transport students other than their own, unless approval is given by the office.
- All personal equipment (if not renting) must be brought to the school by 7:30 on each Winter Recreation Day

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Here is the Alpine Responsibility Code (ARC) that must be reviewed with your child before attending sessions at Silver Star. Each ticket holder is responsible for following these safety expectations.

- 1. Always stay in control. You must be able to stop or avoid people or objects.
- 2. People ahead or downhill of you have the right of-way. You must avoid them.
- 3. Stop only where you are visible from above and do not restrict traffic.
- 4. Look uphill and avoid others before starting downhill or entering a trail.
- 5. You must prevent runaway equipment.
- 6. Read and obey all signs, warnings and hazard markings.
- 7. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
- 8. You must know how and be able to load, ride and unload lifts safely. If you need assistance, ask the lift attendant.
- 9. Do not use lifts or terrain when impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- 10. If you are involved in a collision or incident, share your contact information with each other and a ski area employee.

Thank you very much for your support of this opportunity for out students.

Sincerely,

Shelly Cull 😊

Principal, Highland Park Elementary

> Mission: Empowering students to become confident, curious, and caring individuals who thrive in their learning, relationships and community. Vision: Preparing students to become educated citizens who contribute to a dynamic, sustainable, and diverse world.

> > Values: Belonging, Respect, Empathy, Equity, Perseverance, Reconciliation

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